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REMARKS

The Examiner's objection to claims 1, 6, 7, 8, 11, 14 and 17 through 20 because of a series of informalities is respectfully traversed. Applicant has amended claim 1 to read "two or more lasers." Applicant has amended the claim 6 preamble so that the term "emergency signal light" matches. Applicant has also amended the antecedent basis for "said lens," "said handle" and "the emergency signal of claim 6" in claim 11. The claim 7 preamble has been amended. Claim 8 has been amended in the preamble and the antecedent basis for "said laser light pattern."

The claim 11 preamble has been amended and antecedent basis has been provided as requested by the Examiner. The claim 14 preamble has been amended and the antecedent bases have been amended. The claim 17 through 20 preambles have been amended. It is believed that applicant's amendment to these claims overcomes the Examiner's informal objections.

The Examiner's rejection of claims 1, 2, 3 and 17 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Brass, et al. [U.S. 2003/0123254] is respectfully traversed. The reference to laser diodes in Brass, et al. in the last paragraph of the specification is an afterthought without a specific explanation of the use of LEDs. The device in Brass is completely different in function than that disclosed and claimed by applicant. Applicant's invention is a survival light for distance illumination and discovery as an emergency signal light. There is absolutely no discussion in Brass to provide two or more laser lights that meet U.S. Government power maximum safely while providing for maximum distance of visibility in the light structure. It is

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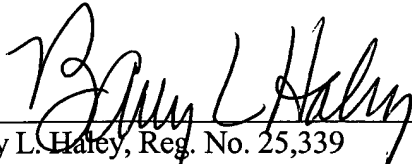
applicant's position that applicant's claimed invention for claims 1, 2, 3 and 17 clearly define a structure not anticipated as to every claimed element as required under 35 U.S.C. 102.

The Examiner's rejection of claims 6 and 14 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over Brass, et al., in view of Maglica [U.S. 4,286,311] is respectfully traversed. Applicant reiterates applicant's remarks with respect to the Brass, et al. reference above. It is applicant's position that the Maglica reference does not provide any additional teaching or suggestion that would result in applicant's claimed invention to one of ordinary skill in the art when viewing Brass, et al. and Maglica. The Maglica reference is basically a heavy duty flashlight. It is applicant's position that claims 6 and 14 are allowable and are not deemed obvious over these references.

Applicant has amended claims 7 through 11 and 18 through 20 and rewritten them in independent form including the limitations of the base claim. These claims are now allowable.

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